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Applicants: Simon Foote et al.,

Examiner: J. Lundgren

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For: NUCLEIC ACID DIAGNOSTICS BASED
ON MASS SPECTROMETRY OR MASS
SEPARATION AND BASE SPECIFIC CLEAVAGE

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RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 AND 1.143

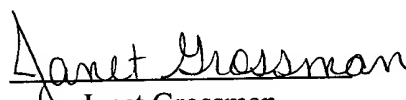
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 14, 2001, setting forth a requirement for restriction, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the subject matter of Group I, Claims 1-18 and 24-32, drawn to a method for detecting a difference of one or more nucleotides, a computer program product

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